

Rev A A Phelps

Politeness
of

Boston

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for I think that there is no one even
though they may love us so much that
would be willing to trust these happiness
to a divorce

My little Laura is delighted with
her present she says that Mr. Gory little
girl sent them to her and she wanted
to send her a doll and other toys for her
Boston week as she calls it if I had
have had the money I should have got them
for she was so anxious to send them They also
sent a five enclosed and my mother took
that for herself she sends her best respects
to you and so do all the family You
must have chose the things or some
one that was acquainted with our
disposition for the white bags ^{so} exactly
what ~~my~~ choice would have been for I
am fond of a show, while the other
is just like Liza Ann so neat and
modest, the spread I ~~mean~~ ^{mean} to keep
for a bridal one and if I never have any
use for it Laura will if she lives long
enough the letter that accompanied them
we are all charmed with and Mr. Gallagher
has absolutely falling in love with the writer
he ever talks of taking a trip to Boston
he took the letter and I had hard work
to get it from him I believe it has

you are tired with making my nonsense
so I will now stop

Believe me your
affectionate Friend

Mary Emily Jones

P.S. I am not done yet I forgot to mention
that Mr. Walker will take you this he
has been to see us several times if it
was not for that I would write this over
for it is written so bad that I do not
expect you will be able to read it Aunt
Patsy wants me to say something about but
I do not know what to say I am ashamed
to send this but he is waiting so I am
obliged

M. E. J.

converted him to an abolitionist

Mr. Andrews was up to see us the other day and he promised to come often but he has not done so he is a very fine young man and it well our hearts that he is married his manners as so much more like the Virginians than any we met with here, if you and Mr. Andrews are spectators of the Bostonians I must certainly say that they are very prepossessing.

You will think that I never intend to finish my letter but I do it will have a end soon. You must give our respects to Mr. Fory and tell her that her husband's health is very good and that he has hopes of being out next week tell her that although I do not know them yet I wish her to kiss her children for me Oh if it was only in my power to visit Boston then I might become better with the kind friends who sent me the beautiful present Miss Ball I am already in love with and wish that she would write to often I wish you also to write if you are not affraid of my long letters but I promise you there shall be no more no long as this I know

native State I almost wish I did there
freedom of speech and action is allowed
~~and~~ you one loves that more than I
do. Here if you are ever kind to friend in
distress the will say you have a motive for
it. You know that we went to see Mr.
Jerry and would walk about the yard with
him because we thought that it ~~would~~
do him somehow ~~it~~ happened that I
went the ofttest of any and some of
the people here said that I was in
love with him and a great many other
things which you friend will tell you
when you see him anyhow it will have
the affect I suppose of injuring my
character with those who do not know
him or me but those that do cannot
~~wildly~~ believe for myself I do not
care what they say so long as I am
innocent and God know that I am
in this respect all that I have to leave
my beloved child is my good name and if
that I taken from me she is poor indeed
if very she hear of her father she will
~~blush~~ to own him (but with my consent
she never shall) and God grant that
she may not blush for her mother
there is times that my situation as a
divorce wife makes me feel wretched

Mrs. Mary E. Jones.

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Dear Friend

You see that I take the liberty of addressing you by that title and I assure you ~~that~~ there is no prouder of calling you friend than I am. I also thank you for the beautiful presents sent me by the sisters although they are real abolition documents sent by real abolition heart they are as kindly received as if they had come from the heart of the South and even kinder for then they would have been wrung from the groans and even tears of the poor slaves as it is they come from the State that was first to draw her sword in the cause of Freedom and sheathed it until she was free even from the oppression of Slavery.

Born in the South I have always been taught to consider Slavery a necessary evil but still I will acknowledge that we who refused to be slave ourselves should also refuse to be Masters this can never be a free nation which we acknowledge the yoke of Slavery had I have lived in the East I too would be an abolitionist and much as I love my